

BOY BURGLAR'S STORY OF A FALL

Fifteen-Year-Old Lad Tells
How He Was Tempted
to Steal.

PISTOL TAUGHT MORAL.

Until Held Up While Rifling Sta-
tion Drawer of \$1.50 He
Saw No Wrong.

(Special to The Evening World.)
MINEOLA, L. I., Jan. 3.—A sad-
hearted youngster will leave here to-
day for the Reformatory Industrial
School at Rochester as soon as Justice
Renssen pronounced sentence in Nassau
County Court. The lad is fifteen-year-
old Fred Dahlman, of New Hyde Park,
who was captured at 4 o'clock Thursday
morning in the act of rifling the cash
drawer of the Long Island station at
Floral Park.

Fred Dahlman has always been a popu-
lar boy in this part of the country.
His plight is looked upon with sym-
pathy and indulgence, and the Court
promises to be lenient in his sentence.
Fred's offense is petty larceny. He was
arrested before Justice Renssen yester-
day on the complaint of A. E. Wilson,
the railroad detective, who made the ar-
rest. Dahlman pleaded guilty to stealing
\$1.50 in four robberies perpetrated dur-
ing the last four weeks. The boy explains
his act on the ground of moral irrespon-
sibility.

"I must have had some weakness of
mind," he said to an Evening World re-
porter to-day. "I know it is wrong to
steal, but I didn't realize that in taking
a little money from that drawer I was
committing a crime."

Fred is a nice-looking boy, well
grown and erect. He looks one straight
in the eye, like an honest chap, and his
tone is sincere and convincing.

Victim of Circumstances.

"You see, I fell into a trap of circum-
stance about a month ago," he con-
tinued. "I needed a little ready cash.
I couldn't very well wait for my wages
to come due. I knew that there was
money in the ticket agent's drawer—
money to burn—that no one would be
any the wiser for my helping myself to
it. I went down to the station that night,
opened the door with a poker, forced
open the drawer and helped myself to
\$1.50."

"It wasn't much to take, but it was all
Fred needed. Maybe he felt that he
was just advancing himself a part of
his daily earnings. The boy has re-
ceived 60 cents a day from the railroad
company for filling and caring for the
station benches.

"You see, that was four weeks ago,"
he went on. "I just took the money and
used it as I had to. It didn't seem like
stealing, and I didn't feel the least like
a thief. I wasn't worrying about taking
something that didn't belong to me. I
must have been asleep."

"Maybe if the money had been mis-
used I might have felt queer. But nothing
was ever said. A few days after I
needed a few extra cents. I guess it was
the old devil that reminded me of the
place to get it. He must have said,
'The cash drawer was a cinch.'"

"Anyway, I went down there and got
a little bolder. Sixty-five cents was
what I took this time."

"Strange, isn't it, how such a habit
gets hold on one?"

"Now that I look back I can't see why
I wasn't lying awake nights worrying
for fear some one would find me out
and have me pinched. But I seemed to
feel so secure and sure that no one
would notice the loss I didn't worry a
bit."

"When I got a little short the week
after, I went down to the station again
one night and took a dollar."

Fred was certainly getting to be a
bold, bad robber. Anyway, the ticket
agent had a little trouble trying to bal-
ance his accounts, and when the short-
age continued for three successive weeks
he decided that somebody was to blame
and asked the authorities to set a
watch.

His Biggest Haul \$1.50.

That was why Fred was caught
Thursday morning while rifling the
oulet Long Island Railroad of \$1.50.
It was his last and biggest haul, and
Fred was just about to slip away with
his booty when a strange and unex-
pected voice demanded that he put up

TO ASK MURPHY "WHERE HE GOT IT"

Legislature May Order Tam-
many Boss on Stand Be-
fore New Committee.

ALBANY, Jan. 3.—The Legislature

will get hotfoot after Charles F.
Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, if
the M. O. J. members can control
enough votes to effect the passage of
a resolution to be introduced to-day.

The measure contemplates the ap-
pointment of an investigating commit-
tee having power to place Murphy on
the witness-stand, and, among other
questions, to ask him where he got it.
The committee will be empowered to
investigate the so-called Murphy con-
tracts, the source and amount of cam-
paign funds and the method of their
expenditure. It is recited in the pre-
amble of the resolution providing for
the appointment of the committee that
gross frauds were committed in the
recent election, and the investigation of
these is to be made the instrument by
which it is expected to bring Leader
Murphy to the stand.

The preamble adds: "This commit-
tee is directed to investigate fully
and examine into the conduct of
elections in the city of New York, the
violations of law in connection therewith,
the money contributed by corpora-
tions, candidates and others, the uses
made of such money, the contracts and
business and other relations between
corporations and the leaders, assistant
leaders and others holding and exer-
cising or supposed to exercise power or
authority in political parties or organiza-
tions, whether directly with such
persons or under corporate or other
cover, and the rights, privileges, immu-
nities, and franchises of such corpora-
tions and the consideration thereof, and
every other matter and thing deemed by
the committee to be proper for the pur-
pose of drafting and reporting to the Leg-
islature such a revision of existing laws
and such new laws."

HOLLOWAY GIRL GOES FREE.

Shown in Court that She Attacked
Father to Save Mother.

Mattie Holloway, the pretty young
woman who killed her insane father,
Henry Holloway, an aged railroad en-
gineer, with a station in order to keep
him from shooting his wife at their
home, No. 61 East One Hundred and
Fortieth street, appeared in Morrisania
Court to-day on a charge of felonious
assault.

The girl was accompanied by her pas-
tor, Rev. Francis Marston, of the Beth-
any Presbyterian Church, at Willis av-
enue and One Hundred and Thirty-sev-
enth street, who told Magistrate Walsh
that Miss Holloway only meant to save
her mother. The Magistrate promptly
dismissed the girl.

The father, with a badly battered
scalp, is still in Lebonon Hospital. He
is seventy-five years old and has been
demented at times for two years.

His hands, and Fred found himself look-
ing down the barrel of a terrible 38-
calibre revolver.
It seems that Detective Wilson had
been in hiding in the station and saw
Fred force the door and tip toe across
the floor to the hooded box.

"Was I scared? Well, rather," said
Fred. "It's no joke to be held up like
that, look down a gun barrel and real-
ize, all of a sudden, that you've done
wrong. It's enough to make a fellow
feel ready to cut out."

Fred refuses to admit that on being
placed under arrest he burst into tears.
The detective says the "boy wept like a
kid" at his incarceration.

The boy is the son of a truckman em-
ployed in Floral Park. The boy assisted
his parents in their support of his five
little sisters.

"I can't say that I was forced to
work for a living," the boy said, "but
there are no other ways of making a
living. We all we can get to keep going."

The Dahlmans came from Germany a
dozen years ago. They are known to be
honest, hard-working, persons, and
Fred's parents have taken his disgrace
much to heart.

"I've heard a lot about 'Thou shalt
not steal,' but I never really thought
before what it meant. I guess I'll
never forget it now," is the boy's ex-
planation of his strange moral lapse.

There is no pistol point in the
dark and the obligations of law and
justice for driving home an idea.

WIRELESS TEST AROUND WORLD

Dry Dock Towing Fleet to
Try Communicate on
Voyage to Manila.

What in all probability will be the

severest test yet made of wireless tele-
graphy from ship to shore and from
shore to ship will be the communica-
tion between the towing fleet of the Phil-
ippines, which will be kept up with the
wireless station at St. Augustine, Fla.,
as long as the impulse can convey a
message through the air.

The vessels conveying the Dewey are
equipped with the Shoenmaker system,
which is employed on the warships
Maryland, Pennsylvania and Charleston.
And, which appears to have tremendous
penetrating power. On Monday com-
munication was opened with the main
tower of the Dewey, the Glacier, 23 miles
at sea, from the St. Augustine station.
The connection was as perfect as a
message by telephone.

A further test was made Monday
night, when the Dewey was 60 miles
distant from Cape Henry. The follow-
ing message was transmitted by wire
from New York to St. Augustine, and
thence by wireless to the fleet bound
for the Far East:

"Dan Collins,
"Operator aboard the Dewey:
"Send report daily as you proceed on
voyage. Keep records of wireless work
accomplished and mail same on arrival
at Suez Canal."

This message was received on the
Dewey, and an instant reply came to
St. Augustine:

"O. K. Will follow instructions."

600 AT WEDDING FEAST.

Many Friends of Muskowitz-Ze-
lenko Families at Terrace
Garden Reception.

One of the prettiest weddings in Jew-
ish circles in many years was that of
S. W. Muskowitz and Miss Henrietta
Zelenko, celebrated in Temple Khablah
Jeshurun, in East Eighty-fifth street,
at 6 o'clock last night. The ceremony
was performed by Rev. Meyer J. Pikes.

Edward Muskowitz, brother of the
bridegroom, was best man, and the
usher was Morris Muskowitz, Edward
Levy, Louis Rosenberg, Morris Krau-
towitz, Simon Fried and Herman Fish-
man.

After the ceremony the bride party
and many guests were driven to Ter-
race Garden, where 600 friends were en-
tertained at dinner. Dancing followed.
Mr. and Mrs. Muskowitz will pass their
honeymoon in the South.

Taking No Chances.

"I would rather," declared Miss Ze-
lenko, "live in a hotel with you than
in a palace with another."
"That's all right," he replied, "but
unless your father will give me a good
job in his bank I'm not going on with
the wedding."

News Nuggets

Troops for Philippines.
SAN FRANCISCO, JAN. 3.—Three
regiments of United States Infantry,
two batteries of artillery and one squad-
ron of cavalry are under orders to leave
for the Philippines during this month.
The troops to be moved, it is said, are
the First, Second and Twenty-fourth
regiments of infantry, with some recruits
and detached companies in addition, one
squadron of the fourth cavalry and the
Eighth and Thirteenth battalions of
field artillery.

Fire Shock Killed Woman.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Jan. 3.—
Mrs. Elizabeth McCarthy died in a
chair at her home here from heart dis-
ease brought on by fright over a fire
started by her invalid son, who set
loose curtains while in lighting his pipe.
A daughter of the dead woman, who is
suffering from nervous prostration, is
in a serious condition because of the
nervous shock. A neighbor was badly
burned putting out the blaze.

Gets a Medal from Kaiser.

MEERAMONT, MICHEL, JAN. 3.—Joseph
Stang, of this city, has received from
Emperor William of Germany a silver
medal bearing the Emperor's likeness,
in recognition of an act of heroism in
saving the lives of an old man and his
daughter a number of years ago when
Stang was a soldier in Germany.

Chance for London's Poor.

RICHMOND, VA., JAN. 3.—The State
Commissioner of Agriculture, Mr. Kol-
mer, is corresponding with the Lord
Mayor of London with a view to pur-
chasing some of the starving people of the
British capital to Virginia and estab-
lishing them on farms here.

Mexico's Corn Crop Short.

MEXICO CITY, JAN. 3.—The short
corn crop has caused many distilleries
to shut down as the price is claimed
to be too high to make account profit.
The local corn growers are fulfilling
contracts at a considerable loss.

Lumber Magnate Dead.

REDLANDS, CAL., JAN. 3.—T. W.
England, a millionaire Philadelphia
lumber manufacturer, died here last
night.

(From the Chicago Record-Herald.)

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What is Castoria

CASTORIA is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops
and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium,
Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It
destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhoea and Wind
Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It
assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and
natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over
30 years, has born the signature of J. C. Fitch, and has been made under
his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this.
All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that
trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

Genuine Castoria always bears the signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch*

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